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The Society then proceeded to the stated business of the meeting, the balloting for candidates for membership.

All other business having been concluded, the ballot boxes were opened by the presiding officer, and the following named gentlemen declared to be duly elected members of the Society:—

Rev. J. C. ADAMSON, D. D., of Philadelphia.

J. P. LESLEY, do.

Rev. JOHN LEYBURN, do.

HUGH BLAIR GRIGSBY, L.L.D., of Virginia.

Stated Meeting, August 15.

Present, eight members.

Dr. DUNGLISON, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The Rev. Dr. Leyburn, a recently elected member, was introduced, and took his seat.

Letters were read:—

From the Rev. John Leyburn, dated Philadelphia, Aug. 13, 1856, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of the Society:—

From Dr. William Balfour Baikie, dated Haslar Hospital, near Portsmouth, July 9, 1856, accompanying a donation for the library:—

From the Trustees of the Boston Athenæum, dated July 31, 1856;—from the Corporation of Harvard College, and from the New Jersey Historical Society, dated Aug. 1, 1856:—from the Connecticut Historical Society, dated Hartford, Aug. 2, 1856,—severally acknowledging the receipt of No. 55 of the Proceedings: and—

From John Samuel, Esq., dated Philadelphia, Aug. 12, 1856, offering for sale certain property to the Society.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Journal of the Royal Dublin Society. No. 2. July, 1856. Dublin. 8vo.—*From the Society.*

- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XVI. No. 8. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Twenty-third Annual Report of the Royal Cornwall Polytechnic Society, 1855. Falmouth. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Memoirs of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. New Series. Vol. V. Part 2. Boston, 1855. 4to.—*From the Academy.*
- Transactions of the Connecticut State Agricultural Society, for the year 1855: With the Reports of the County Societies for the same year. Hartford, 1856. 8vo.
- Fortieth Annual Report of the Directors of the American Asylum at Hartford, for the Education and Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb. Hartford, 1856. 8vo.
- Thirty-second Annual Report of the Officers of the Retreat for the Insane at Hartford, Connecticut. Hartford, 1856. 8vo.—*From the Connecticut Historical Society.*
- Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History. Vol. V. Nos. 22, 23. Boston. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Annual Report of the Trustees of the New York State Library; transmitted to the Legislature, Jan. 22, 1856. Albany. 8vo.—*From the Trustees.*
- Thirty-sixth Annual Report of the Directors of the Mercantile Library Association of the City of Boston. Boston, 1856. 8vo.—*From the Directors.*
- Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia. Vol. VIII. No. 3. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Academy.*
- Quarterly Journal of the Chemical Society. Vol. IX. 2. No. XXXIV. July, 1856. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Journal of the Franklin Institute. Third Series. Vol. XXXII. No. 2. Aug. 1856. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Institute.*
- The African Repository. Vol. XXXII. No. 8. Aug. 1856. Washington. 8vo.—*From the Am. Colonization Society.*
- Documents relative to Central American Affairs and the Enlistment Question: Printed by direction of the House of Representatives of the U. S.
- Report of the Committee of the House of Representatives of the U. S. upon the alleged Assault upon Senator Sumner.
- Speech of the Hon. J. R. Tyson, of Pennsylvania, on the Resolutions reported from the Committee on the alleged assault by Mr. Brooks on Senator Sumner:—delivered in the House of Representatives,

July 12, 1856. Washington. 8vo.—*From the Hon. J. R. Tyson.*

Address illustrative of the Nature and Power of the Slave States, and the Duties of the Free States:—delivered at the request of the inhabitants of the town of Quincy, Massachusetts, June 5, 1856,—by Josiah Quincy. Boston. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

The Astronomical Journal. No. 95. (Vol. IV. No. 23). Aug. 4, 1856. Cambridge. 8vo.—*From Dr. B. A. Gould, jr., Editor.*

The Medical News and Library. Vol. XIV. No. 164. August, 1856. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*

Narrative of an Exploring Voyage up the rivers Kwora and Binue (commonly known as the Niger and Tsadda) in 1854: With a Map and Appendices. By William Balfour Baikie, M.D. R. N., &c. &c. London. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

The committee on Dr. Leidy's communication, entitled "Descriptions of the Remains of Fishes from the Carboniferous Limestone of Illinois and Missouri," made report recommending the publication of the paper in the Transactions of the Society. The communication was accordingly ordered to be published, and the committee discharged.

The Minutes of the Board of Officers and Council, at their late meeting, were read.

Mr. Trego, Reporter of the Society, laid on the table No. 55 of the Proceedings, published since the last meeting.

Stated Meeting, September 19.

Present, seventeen members.

Prof. FRAZER, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From the Imperial Academy of Sciences at Vienna, dated April 15, 1856,—acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 51, 52, of the Proceedings;—and one dated March 25, 1856, announcing a donation for the library:—

From the Society of Antiquaries, dated Edinburgh, August,